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Re: Application of Kazuko YAMASHITA and Kiyoshi NAKAI  
LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY APPARATUS  
**Assignee: SUMITOMO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LIMITED**  
Our Ref.: Q93501

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 5 sheets of drawings.
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a copy of the ISR.
- ☐ a copy of the IPER.
- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☐ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.

**A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).



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Total claims	<u>4</u>	-	20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$50.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$ .00
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	3	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$200.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$ .00
Base Fee										<u>\$300.00</u>
Search Fee*										<u>\$400.00</u>
Examination Fee*										<u>\$200.00</u>
<b><u>TOTAL FEE</u></b>										<u>\$900.00</u>

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The USPTO is directed and has been authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via the EFS Fee Payment Screen. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-313660	September 5, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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